

### Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

# CMS.gov Enterprise Portal Quick Reference Guide (QRG) for New Users Completing Remote Identity Proofing (RIDP) and Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA)

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## 1. Introduction

This guide provides step-by-step instructions on how to request a role to access < **Your application name**> using an existing CMS.gov Enterprise Portal account.

**Note:** If you already have an active CMS.gov Enterprise Portal account with a < **Your Application name>** role or have been thorough Remote Identity Proofing (RIDP), refer to the document 'EIDM Quick Reference Guide - Existing Users Adding MFA to Their Existing Application Role'.

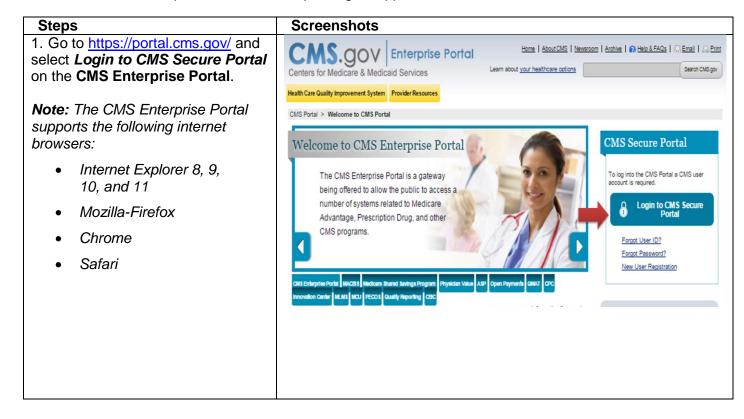
# 2. RIDP and Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA)

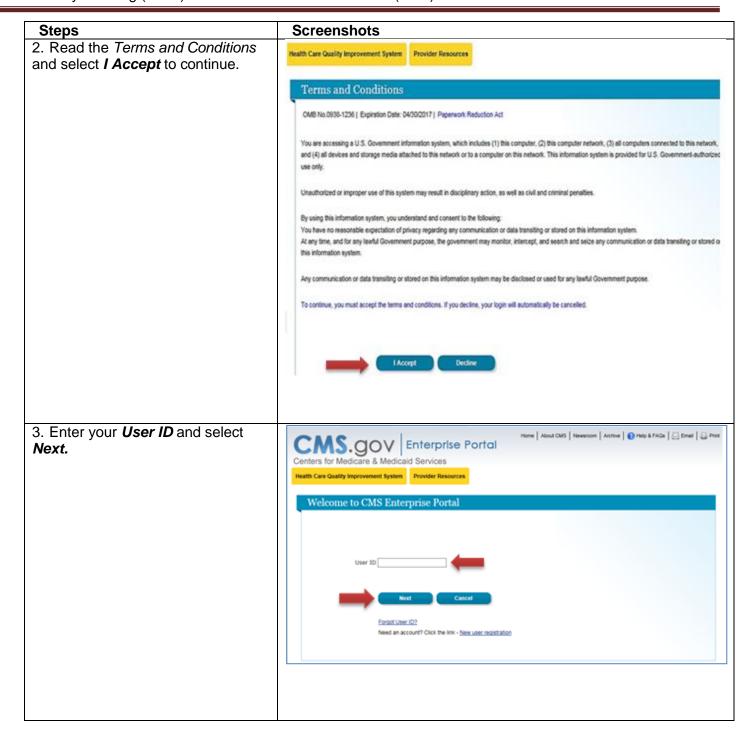
Depending on the application role that you request, the system might redirect you for identity proofing. You might also be required to register for MFA for added security. Listed below are a few points to keep in mind prior to going through the RIDP process:

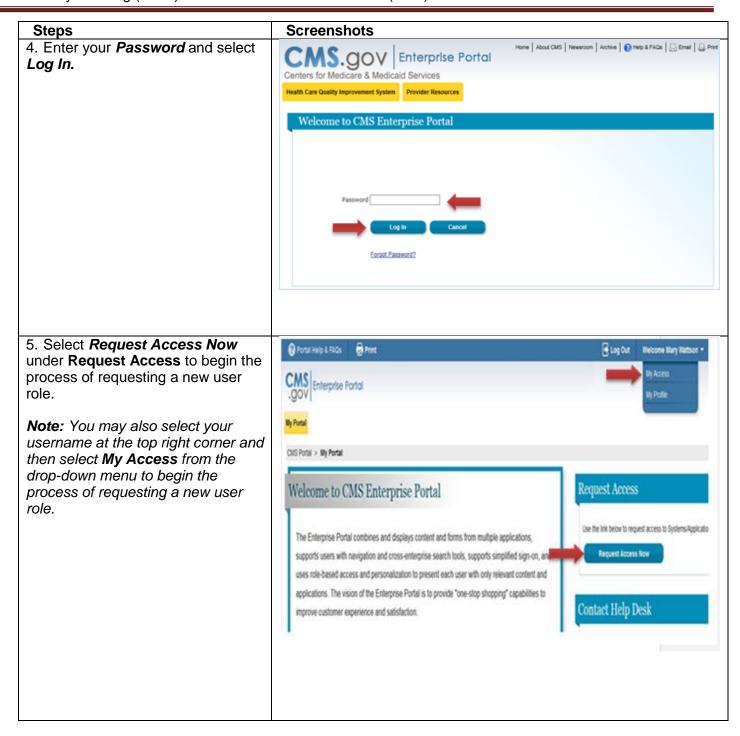
- 1. You will be required to provide personal information such as Name, Date of Birth, Address, etc. exactly as recorded on either your driver's license or any Government ID.
- As part of RIDP, the system will require answers to questions related to your personal and financial information. Please have your personal and credit information handy prior to attempting RIDP.
- 3. Depending on the MFA option you choose to register, you may need access to download/install software on your computer/phone (your phone device should be able to receive Short Message Service (SMS)) and you should have a valid email address.

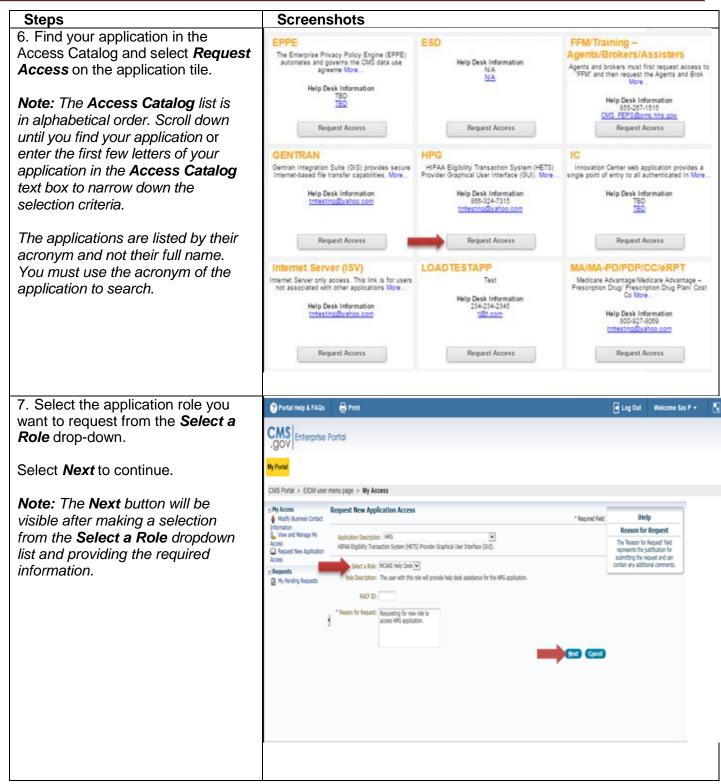
# 3. Step-by-Step Instructions for Role Request

Please follow each step listed below for requesting an application role.









If you have questions or need assistance regarding RIDP/MFA, please contact your Application Help Desk.

# 4. Remote Identity Proofing (RIDP)

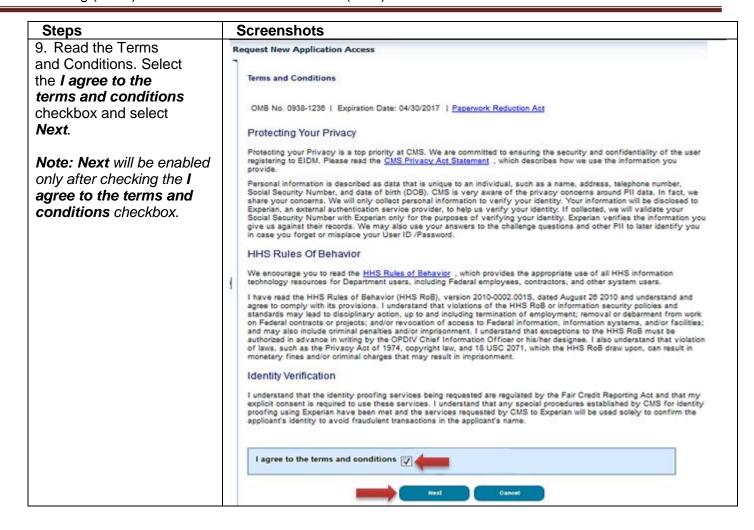
Please follow each step listed below unless otherwise noted.

#### RIDP

Depending on the role and the information you provide, the system may take you to the Identity Verification process. Please follow steps 8 to 12 to begin the RIDP process. This process is used to verify your identity by asking questions based on your personal and credit report information.

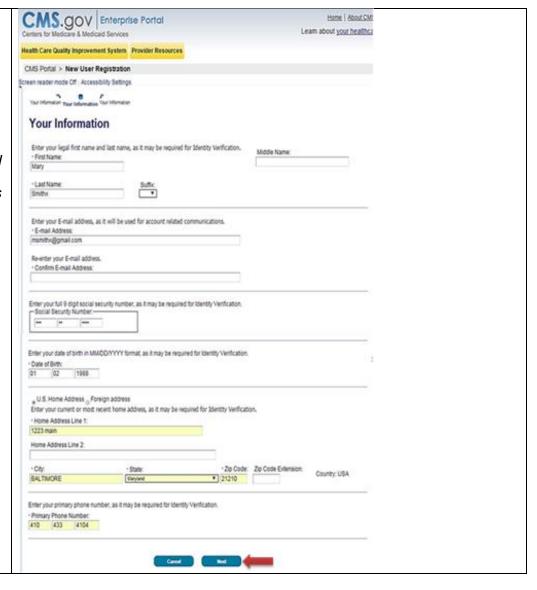
**Note:** If you fail to complete the RIDP verification within x minutes, you will lose all the information you entered and will need to start the process again.

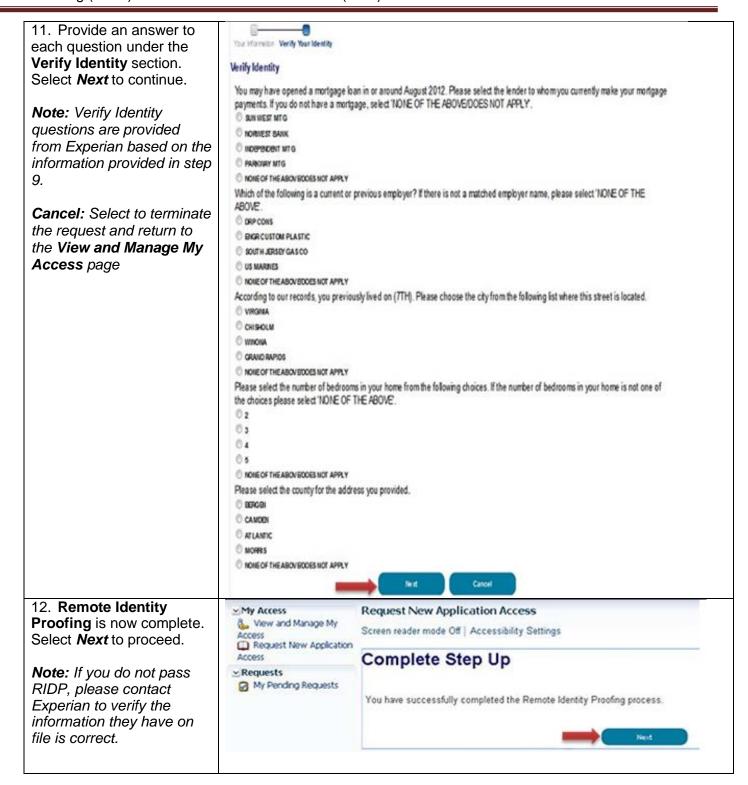
Steps	Screenshots
8. Select <i>Next</i> to start the <b>Identity Verification</b>	Request New Application Access
process.	Identity Verification
	To protect your privacy, you will need to complete Identity Verification successfully, before requesting access to the selected role. Below are a few items to keep in mind.
	1. Ensure that you have entered your legal name, current home address, primary phone number, date of birth and E-mail address correctly. We will only collect personal information to verify your identity with Experian, an external identity Verification provider.  2. Identity Verification involves Experian using information from your credit report to help confirm your identity. As a result, you may see an entry called a 'soft inquiry' on your Experian credit report. Soft inquiries do not affect your credit score and you do not incur any charges related to them.  3. You may need to have access to your personal and credit report information, as the Experian application will pose questions to you, based on data in their files. For additional information, please see the Experian Consumer Assistance website -http://www.experian.com/help/
	If you elect to proceed now, you will be prompted with a Terms and Conditions statement that explains how your Personal Identifiable Information (PII) is used to confirm your identity. To continue this process, select 'Next'.
	Next Cancel



10. Confirm your E-mail Address and enter your Social Security Number. After verifying the prepopulated information, select *Next* to continue the identity verification process.

**Note:** You will be required to enter your Social Security Number if MFA is mandatory for your role.





# 5. Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA)

MFA is not mandatory for all users. If your role is identity proofed to a level utilizing MFA, please follow each step listed below unless otherwise noted.

#### **MFA**

MFA is a security mechanism that is implemented to verify the legitimacy of a person or transaction.

MFA requires you to provide more than one form of verification in order to prove your identity. MFA registration is required only once when you are requesting a role, but will be verified every time you log into the CMS Enterprise Portal.

During the MFA registration process, the CMS.gov Enterprise Portal requires registration of a phone, computer, or email to add an additional level of security to a user's account.

You may select from the following options to complete the registration process:

- Smart Phone: Download Validation & Identity Protection (VIP) access software on your smart
  phone/tablet. You must enter the alphanumeric credential ID that is generated by the VIP access
  client. You will then enter the Security Code generated by the VIP client.
- Computer: Download VIP access software on your computer. You must enter the alphanumeric credential ID generated by the VIP access client. You will enter the Security Code generated by the VIP client.
- **E-mail**: Select the e-mail option to receive an e-mail containing a Security Code required at login. You must provide a valid, accessible e-mail address.
- Short Message Service (SMS): Use the SMS option to have your Security Code texted to your phone. You must enter a valid phone number. The phone must be capable of receiving text messages. Carrier charges may apply.
- Interactive Voice Response (IVR): Select the IVR option to receive a voice message containing your Security Code. You must provide a valid phone number and (optional) phone extension.

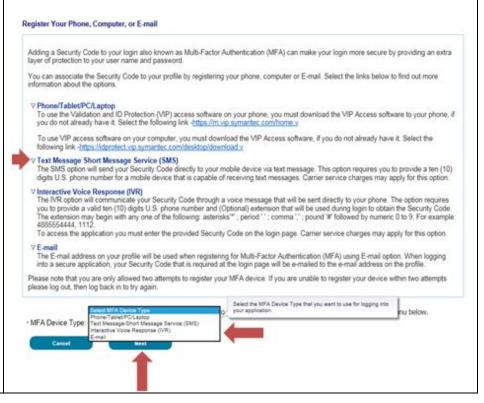
Please follow steps 13 to 16 to register for MFA.

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13. Select <b>Next</b> to begin		
registration for the Multi-Factor Authentication process.	Multi-Factor Authentication Information	
	To protect your privacy, you will need to add an additional level of security to your account. This will entail successfully registering your Phone, Computer or E-mail, before continuing the role request process.	
	To continue this process, please select 'Next'	
	Next Cancel	

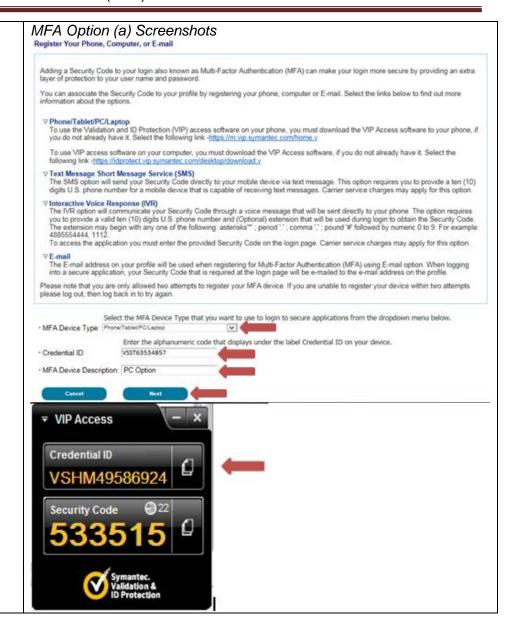
If you have questions or need assistance regarding RIDP/MFA, please contact your Application Help Desk.

14. Select an MFA device from the *MFA Device Type* drop-down and select *Next*.

**Note:** You can select the arrows on the left of each MFA Device Type for additional information.

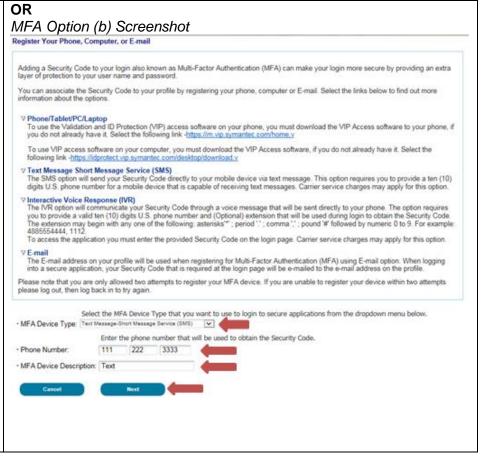


14. (a) If selecting Phone/Tablet/PC/Laptop as the MFA Device Type, enter the alphanumeric code that displays under the field labeled Credential ID (on the VIP Access software) in the Credential ID field. Enter a brief description (example: Laptop) in the field labeled MFA Device Description. Then select Next.



#### OR

14. (b) If selecting *Text Message*– *Short Message Service (SMS)*as the **MFA Device Type**, enter
the *Phone Number* that will be
used to obtain the Security Code.
Enter a brief description
(example: *Text*) in the field
labeled **MFA Device Description**and select *Next*.



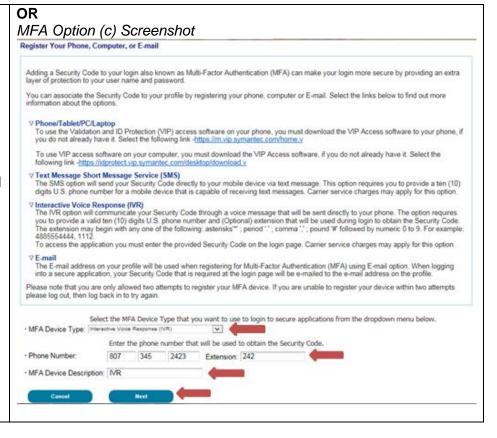
#### OR

14. (c) If selecting Voice

Message – Interactive Voice
Response (IVR) as the MFA

Device Type, enter the Phone
Number and corresponding
Extension that will be used to
obtain the Security Code as
Phone Number and Extension.
Enter a brief description
(example: IVR) in the field labeled
MFA Device Description and
select Next.

**Note**: **Extension** is optional. You may choose to provide a 10 digit phone number or phone number with an extension.



MFA Option (d) Screenshot

OR

#### OR

14. (d) If selecting *E-mail* as the MFA Device Type, the E-mail address on your profile will be automatically used to obtain the Security Code. Enter a brief description (example: *E-mail*) in the field labeled *MFA Device Description* and select *Next*.

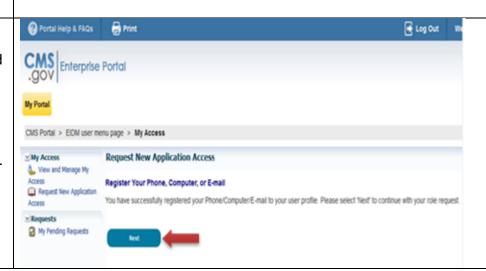
**Note:** The E-mail address cannot be changed at the time of MFA device registration. It can only be changed using the 'Change E-Mail Address' option from the 'Change My Profile' menu.

Register Your Phone, Computer, or E-mail Adding a Security Code to your login also known as Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) can make your login more secure by providing an extra layer of protection to your user name and password. You can associate the Security Code to your profile by registering your phone, computer or E-mail. Select the links below to find out more information about the options ∀ Phone/Tablet/PC/Laptop Phone/I ableur-LLaptop

To use the Validation and ID Protection (VIP) access software on your phone, you must download the VIP Access software to your phone, if you do not already have it. Select the following link -<a href="https://m.vip.symantec.com/home.v">https://m.vip.symantec.com/home.v</a> To use VIP access software on your computer, you must download the VIP Access software, if you do not already have it. Select the following link -https://idprotect.vip.symantec.com/desktop/download.v ▽ Text Message Short Message Service (SMS) The SMS option will send your Security Code directly to your mobile device via text message. This option requires you to provide a ten (10) digits U.S. phone number for a mobile device that is capable of receiving text messages. Carrier service charges may apply for this option V Interactive Voice Response (IVR) The IVR option will communicate your Security Code through a voice message that will be sent directly to your phone. The option requires you to provide a valid ten (10) digits U.S. phone number and (Optional) extension that will be used during login to obtain the Security Code. The extension may begin with any one of the following: asterisks"; period "; comma"; pound "# followed by numeric 0 to 9. For example: 4885554444, 1112. To access the application you must enter the provided Security Code on the login page. Carrier service charges may apply for this option. The E-mail address on your profile will be used when registering for Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) using E-mail option. When logging into a secure application, your Security Code that is required at the login page will be e-mailed to the e-mail address on the profile. Please note that you are only allowed two attempts to register your MFA device. If you are unable to register your device within two attempts please log out, then log back in to try again. Select the MFA Device Type that you want to use to login to secure applications from the dropdown menu below. · MFA Device Type: E-mail V 4 E-mail Address: laluru@qssinc.com The E-mail address on your profile will automatically be used for the E-mail option. Your e-mail address cannot be changed at the time of MFA registration. To change your E-mail please select 'Change E-Mail Address' from the 'Change My Profile' MFA Device

15. Your registration for **Multi- Factor Authentication** is now complete. Select **Next** to proceed with your role request in order to access your application.

**Note**: You will receive an E-mail notification for successfully registering the MFA Device Type.



16. If your role requires approval, a message will display with a tracking number for your request. An email will be sent once your request has been approved or rejected. Select **OK** to continue.

